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FROM THE PRESIDENT: GOD BLESS AMERICA

Teddy Roosevelt’s famous quote about the Chautauqua movement is still as true today as it was so many years ago: “Chautauqua is the most American thing in America!”

As this week approaches nothing epitomizes this quote quite like our 4th of July festivities and picnic. We all make the same plans every year:

... “Who’s bringing grandmother’s famous chess pies?”

... “Can you pick up some extra pinwheels to decorate the children’s bicycles?”

... “Meet me at the gate for the Shenanigan’s Run! “

The Assembly is a beehive of activity!

We all have so much to be thankful for: family, friends, country, and the founders of our picnic, the late Irwin Crais and the late Mel Barnes Sr.

Did you know that in 1952, these two men decided to organize a picnic on the Mall next to the gazebo? Or that their family tables still remain in that spot today? It was a lighthearted affair, with the Assembly providing lemonade, tables, and chairs. Attendees wore “Gay 90s” costumes, and there were contests for best hats and aprons. Over time, the picnic has evolved into the most anticipated and attended event of the eight-week season! What a wonderful legacy these two men left for their families and for all of us!

I look forward to seeing you all on the Mall as we celebrate our country and our wonderful Assembly!

God Bless America and the Monteagle Sunday School Assembly!

— *Amanda Moody, President*

(special thanks to Morgan Merrill for dates and details)

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Page 11 has the week’s Platform schedule at-a-glance, with all changes through the print deadline. We encourage you to tear the last page off the newsletter and post it on your refrigerator or carry it with you during the week, so you always know what’s happening!

HIGHLIGHTS

Plateau Talk & Excursion
Breslin Clock Tower with
Keith Henley

Wednesday, 10:45 am
(lecture) & 1:00 pm
(excursion)

Warren Chapel & Auditorium

Watch Gigi & Nate

Wednesday, 7:45 pm

Then attend a Q&A with
Screenwriter David Hudgins

Thursday, 7:45 pm

Auditorium

**Lecture: Great Gardens of
the World, with Troy Marden**

Thursday, 10:45 am

Warren Chapel

WEEK FOUR PLATFORM PREVIEW

This week, award-winning screenwriter, showrunner, and executive producer **David Hudgins** brings his film *Gigi & Nate* to Monteagle for a screening and Q&A. The film centers on the relationship that forms between a young man who's left, after a near-fatal illness, as a quadriplegic and his service animal, Gigi—a curious and intelligent capuchin monkey. Hudgins worked as a staff assistant to Al Gore during Gore's years in the Senate. He worked as a trial attorney in Dallas before leaving the legal profession and pursuing screenwriting full-time. His career has included work on the hit series *Friday Night Lights*, *Parenthood*, and *Everwood*. Watch the film on Wednesday at 7:45 pm in the Auditorium, then join Hudgins for a screenwriter Q&A on Thursday at 7:45 pm, also in the Auditorium.

Friday features an **MSSA Outreach Ministries Fair**, with organizations the Assembly's Outreach Committee supports throughout the year. Come learn more about these worthwhile organizations and projects on the Cumberland Plateau:

- **South Cumberland Community Fund:** Tom Sanders, Executive Director
- **Grundy Area Arts Council:** Christi Teasley
- **Monteagle Elementary School:** Veronica Horton, Principal
- **Monteagle Fire Department:** Travis Lawyer, Fire Chief
- **Isaiah 117 House:** Susan Johnson, Program Coordinator
- **Sleep in Heavenly Peace:** Norm Flake, Chapter President
- **Morton Memorial Food Ministry:** Alyse Getty, Food Ministry Director

FIREWORKS

Take note! **No fireworks** are allowed on the Assembly campus except for sparklers on the North Gate Field the night of July 4th immediately preceding the fireworks display.



Sunday: *The Sandlot* (1993, PG)

Monday: *Miracle* (2004, PG)

Wednesday early-bird: *Toy Story* (1995, G)

Wednesday: *Gigi & Nate* (2022, PG-13)

Friday: *Holes* (2003, PG)



*Catch Gigi & Nate
Wednesday at 7:45 in
the Auditorium.*



NO FIREWORKS

QUICK BITES

Shop local at the Thursday Morning Mountain Market, 7-10:00 am, in front of Harton Hall.

Call Scott First! Home repairs/upgrades are generally not permitted during the season. Contact the Executive Director before calling a contractor.

Auto permits must be displayed at all times, else a ticket may be issued.

Gate tickets (or wristbands) should be on your person at all times.

Harton Hall accepts cash, major credit cards, or Venmo. The office no longer maintains dining house accounts.

Save time at the gate and pre-order your tickets by calling (931) 924-2286. You can also preorder online.

ALL golf carts, including rental carts, must be registered (or re-registered) to receive the 2023 decal. Only licensed drivers are legally allowed to drive carts.

Lawn trimmings are collected on Wednesdays.

Dogs must be registered, including proof of rabies vaccination. Pick up after your pets.

Quiet Hour is daily from 1:00-2:30 pm. Children should be indoors at their cottages. Tennis is only permitted on the East Gate courts. No deliveries during this time.

Trash pickup begins at 5:00 am on Monday & Thursday. Secure garbage can lids to avoid critters from getting into them. Garbage crews can only collect bagged trash located inside garbage cans.

Intergenerational bells play at 9:30 am Tuesday & Wednesday in Warren Chapel. All are welcome.

Golf cart parking at Warren Chapel is for the benefit of those who need mobility assistance. Please do not move carts during services and programs.

The possession or use of alcohol or controlled substances on public grounds, in public places, or at public functions on the Assembly grounds is prohibited and subjects the offender to disciplinary action by the Board of Trustees.

Safety first! Call (931) 607-8615 when the main office is closed for any security questions or concerns.



SEASON OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Friday: 8:00-4:00

Saturday: 9:00-3:00

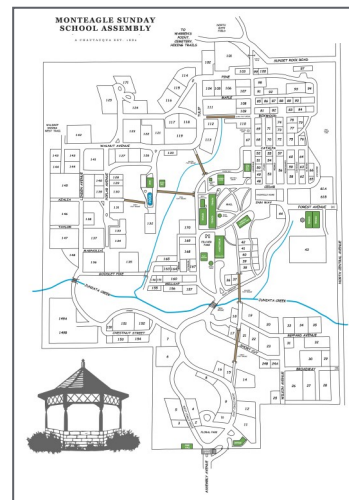
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MEMBERSHIP MEETING JULY 15

MSSA members are invited to review proposed bylaw changes in a called membership meeting on Saturday, July 15, 2023, at 4:00 pm in Warren Chapel. The sole purpose of this meeting will be to review the changes to the Monteagle Sunday School Assembly Bylaws emailed to all members.

CLAIM YOUR COTTAGE MAP!

Last summer Kent Rollins came to the Open House for the MSSA Archives and offered to help facilitate the updating of the assembly from the 1980s. Throughout the fall a digital map was created with additions of various public areas. Kent was very generous with his time and expertise. When the map was complete, he donated two hundred maps to the Assembly, printed on matboard. As a result of Kent's generosity, the Archives Committee would like to give each cottage a map. You can pick up your map at the office during the season.



HONORING THOSE WHO HAVE PASSED

As we prepare to celebrate Independence Day and the many Assembly traditions associated with the holiday, one of the most moving traditions is the Candlelight Prayer Service. During this service we recognize many milestones within the Monteagle family, including and especially remembering those within the community who have died during the past year.

Many of our family and friends are buried in the MSSA Cemetery, and others have made plans to be laid to rest there in the future. If you are interested in information regarding purchasing an eternal leasehold, contact Scott Parrish or one of the Cemetery Committee members.



GALLERY CLOSED JULY 4

The Gallery will be closed on July 4th. Come see us for special hours on Saturday, July 1 from 10:00 am to noon or during our regular hours, Monday-Friday, 10:00 am to noon & 3:00-5:00 pm. Have a great 4th of July!

We're taking a break from Dinner on the Chapel Grounds this week—the week of July 4th has a lot going on, though! Thanks to Rick Boeth for sending this photo of last week's buffet line.



RENTERS' SPOTLIGHT: IN HER OWN WORDS

When I first contacted Jennifer Lapidus and asked to schedule an interview, she asked if there was a specific list of questions where she may take the time to give the most accurate response. After sending me her answers, I felt that she had written her account so poignantly that it would be a disservice to us all to not print her experiences and account in her own words. Jennifer and her family have been coming to the Assembly for 15 years. Her husband is Michael Lapidus, and their children are Elisabeth and Madison Doss; Matthew and Emily Lapidus.

—Mindy Melton

I was introduced to MSSA in 2002 after attending a Sewanee School of Theology graduation party for the Reverend Andrew (Andy) Keyes. Father Andy and his wife, Beth, are old friends of mine. I met them when I lived in Sewanee from 2001-2004 and was part of the seminary community. Previously, I had worked for the University of Alabama, where I became familiar with the Chautauqua Institution in New York and the Chautauqua movement. I didn't realize MSSA was a Chautauqua community until I returned for the summers.

After leaving Sewanee to move to Birmingham, I started bringing my daughters back to MSSA for weeks during the summer in 2008. I had fallen in love with the cooler, summer mountain temperatures during my years in Sewanee and had since discovered the charm and slower, easy pace of the Assembly. My oldest daughter, Madison, was an Eaglet and my youngest daughter, Elisabeth, was a Hummingbird. The camp activities kept my daughters happy and busy, the mandatory rest hour gave me much needed quiet time, and the dynamic lectures fed my soul.

My favorite activities at MSSA are cooking-related lectures. Out of coincidence, my summer visits have frequently coincided with chefs and cooking demonstrations and cooking is one of my passions. For example, during the summer of 2009, I had the pleasure of meeting and learning from Nashville chef Anne Byrn, author of *What Can I Bring? Cookbook* and last summer (2022) I met the Debutante Farmer from Mississippi, Elizabeth Heiskell, author of *Come On Over! Southern Delicious for Every Day & Every Occasion*. (I also was lucky enough to find a copy of the Montague Sunday School Assembly's *Porch Party Recipes – an Assemblage of Assembly Favorites 1882 – 1982 Centennial Celebration* at an estate sale in Sewanee, and I treasure it.)

Over the years, I have frequented the Art Gallery and have a nice collection, including a painting by Ellen Cates of the MSSA front gate, some McCarty Pottery, and a sunflower painting by Margy Brooks.

We keep returning each summer because we make new friends and rediscover old. At some point, I discovered two of my University of Jackson high school friends had a MSSA cottage in the family – Dudley Kizer Palmer and Christie Kizer Burbank (Cottage 168, Serendipity). Our MSSA summers wouldn't be the same without bingo, the Thursday farmer's market, spending time on the porch, and the lectures. (Last year's Winston Churchill lecture was phenomenal!) The memories we make as a family during each visit are priceless. In today's world, it's a breath of fresh air to experience wholesome family fun where the children can run and play safely and the community members share the same values. It's an idyllic, magical place where time stands still in the best of ways.

Someday, we hope to become lease holders ... but until then, we will happily rent!

—Jennifer Lapidus



Above: Elisabeth and Madison Doss in 2009

Below: Ten years later



YOUTH UPDATES

The youth have been an integral part of the Assembly from its beginning, and many consider Monteagle a place where children can develop both spiritually and physically in a safe environment. Programs for children ages 3-18 are available throughout the summer. Please see the program book, pages 10-15 for guidelines, policies, and rules.

FROM THE YOUTH COORDINATOR

Week Three is complete and what a wonderful week it was! We went to many waterfalls and caves, we camped and hiked, played cornhole and hunted for eggs, made delicious s'mores around the campfire, and many of us are still sporting dye on our hands from three successful tie dye sessions! This week saw beautiful sunny weather and lots of faces, both new and familiar. We are ready and energized to start Week 4 with a bang and celebrate our most favorite mountain holiday, the 4th of July! Let freedom ring!

I would like to take a moment to thank the many people who helped to make our second week such a success. Thank you to Jamie Green, Anne Archer Dennington, Mary Ellen Hoehn, Caroline Wildman, Lori Davis, and Anne Byrn Floyd for hosting our progressive suppers! We know these dinners take a lot of preparation and hard work, and we are so thankful for you all! Thank you to Frannie Smith and Katherine Walters for being our fabulous weekly guest readers during Storytime! The kids loved hearing the stories you shared. I also want to thank all the parents who drove on excursions and lent us their cars this week. These activities would not have been possible without your help. We appreciate all these contributions!

Be sure to look out in the program for all events and activities that Week 4 has to offer! Below you will find important updates and information about all things 'Independence Day':

- MSSA will again have a float in this year's Monteagle 4th of July Town Parade! Assembly Youth have two opportunities to be in the Monteagle 4th of July Parade:
 - We will have a marvelous Monteagle Sunday School Assembly Youth float! Eaglets, Eagles, Buzzards, and Falcons can ride on this float (older kids can walk beside the float as well) and throw candy, wave to the crowd, and enjoy the fanfare! This float will end at the North Gate Field. Parents may pick up their children at the North Gate Field after the parade.
 - If your child enjoys ringing bells with Miss Pam, then they can ride with her on the Monteagle Elementary float where they will be a part of a bell choir playing patriotic music! Miss Pam

needs 12 bell ringers from the Assembly to join her bell choir! Please sign up at the Auditorium. This float will end at City Hall – parents may pick up their children at City Hall after the parade!

- Floats will line up at 9:15 am on Tuesday, July 4th at Cumberland Monuments (50 West College Street – next to the Monteagle Depot and across from Papa Ron's). Please bring children to this location at 9:15 am on Tuesday to participate in the parade!
- We need donations for candy for the Monteagle parade. If you would like to donate – or if your child will be riding on the Assembly float in the parade on Tuesday – please bring a bag or two of candy to the Nashville Home before noon on Monday, July 3rd. Thank you!
- Monday, July 3rd we will have our 4th of July relay games starting at 2:30 pm at Pilcher Park. We will have lots of fun relay games for the kids and finish with the pinnacle event...the egg toss! Afterwards we will migrate

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SNACK SHOP CORNER

We know it's almost the 4th—but it's also time for Christmas in July!

Our custom Troll Bridge ornament celebrates everyone's favorite place and will bring warm summer memories during cold winter months. Stop by and check it out!

Also, don't forget July 5th at 10:00 am is your **LAST** chance to order a sweatshirt or long-sleeved t-shirt. Go online at <https://mssashop.com> to get yours. Unfortunately, late orders cannot be accepted.

See you in the Snack Shop!

— *Duncan & Evey*



YOUTH UPDATES (CONT'D)

to the pool for pool games! Come one, come all!

Looking forward to Week Four and the magic that it holds on this mountain and in our hearts. Families reunited, picnic food galore, cheerful voices celebrating and playing side by side, candlelight and the boom and glow of fireworks—what a wonderful time to be together in Montevallo! Please make sure to review the Youth calendar and bulletin board by the Auditorium for all things youth related! Thank you all for helping make this week such a success!

HUMMINGBIRDS & CRAFTS' CORNER

Next week in Hummingbirds it is Classics Week! The Hummingbirds will be reading classic children's literature and doing related crafts and activities!

Olympics on the Mountain: Starting Wednesday, July 5, we will begin a spirited Olympics-style competition with our Youth! Each child will be separated into four teams at games: red, blue, pink, and yellow! We will spend the rest of the week competing in various relays and field day-esque games and on Friday crown a winning team! Come to games Wednesday morning to receive your team assignment and colorful bandana! Go for the gold!

— Bradley Mims, Youth Coordinator

YOUTH BULLETIN BOARD & PARENTS' MEETING

Reminder: You should always check the youth bulletin board! Please check the board located by the Auditorium for additions and details about our weekly programs. Also, plan on attending the weekly Parents' Meeting each Tuesday for information about weekly activities. Some excursion times may change, but the most current information will always be at the bulletin board. We will always try to keep true to the program, but sometimes changes need to be made because of weather or logistics that come up after the program was printed.



Above, Violet Burns and Kirby Matthews prepare to go on the Eaglets caving excursion. Photo from Shelley Matthews.

MOUNTAIN MILES: LET'S GO SOMEWHERE!

Feel free to check the board and sign-up sheets outside the snack shop for tentative schedules, but here you can find lists on what to bring and what to expect. Trips planned for the week:

MONDAY

No excursions.

TUESDAY

No excursions. *Happy Fourth of July!*

WEDNESDAY

- **Eagles: Rock Island State Park**

Hiking and swimming; bring bathing suit, towel, water shoes or tennis shoes (optional: water bottles, snacks, etc.). Departs from Auditorium at 1:15 pm. We will need parent drivers for this excursion. Subject to change!

THURSDAY

- **Buzzards & Falcons: Sycamore Falls**

Hiking and swimming; bring bathing suit, towel, water shoes or tennis shoes (optional: water bottles, snacks, etc.). Departs from Auditorium at 2:15 pm.

Youth Directors will drive.

FRIDAY

- **Eaglets: Into the Wild with Ms. Maggie**

Critter hunt in the creek with educational naturalist Maggie Whitt. On-campus excursion. Meet at the Auditorium at 2:30 pm to learn more about the outdoors!

SATURDAY

- **All-Assembly Duck River Trip**

Canoeing—fees will be posted; bring bathing suit, towel, snacks, water bottle, change of clothes; meet at Auditorium (time TBA); sign-up sheets will be posted for families.

PICKLEBALL OR BUST... AFTER 10 AM

You're visiting the Assembly from North Carolina, so your family is still on East Coast time. The Buzzards in your house are up early, bored and staring at their phones. It's driving you nuts, but it's still over TWO HOURS until they can go to youth games. What to do?!? Well, here's what we would ask you not to do: please don't suggest that they go play pickleball. The courts open at 10:00 am during the week, so playing before then is not allowed. Remember: if the pool ain't open, neither are the courts.

PICKLEBALL HOURS

Monday-Saturday: 10:00 am-Noon
Daily: 2:30-5:30 pm
Friday only: 5:30-7:30 pm



Congratulations to the winners of the Buzzards & Falcons pickleball tournament, Cole Norton and Charlie Whitt, shown here with finalists Carter Floyd and McTyeire Davis.



WALDROP WOODS RACE JULY 3

Come celebrate July 4th ... on the 3rd! The annual Off-Road Classic trail race through Waldrop Woods is this Monday at 8:00 am. Runners and walkers of all ages are welcomed to participate in the 2.5-mile race through our beautiful on-campus trails. Sign up in advance through the office or come the morning of (t-shirts are only guaranteed for those who sign up in advance). Cost is \$25 per entrant. The race starts at North Gate Field and ends with watermelon and Gatorade at the gym. We look forward to seeing you there!

POOL HOURS

Monday-Friday: 8:00-10:00 am
(adult swim only)
Monday-Saturday: 10:00 am-noon
Daily: 2:30-5:30 pm
Friday only: 5:30-7:30 pm



WOMAN'S ASSOCIATION UPDATES

The Winfield Porch has been buzzing with activity! If you haven't yet joined us, please join us in Week 4! Monteagle Mahjong cards are available to order on the porch. The cards are \$40 for a set of four and are expected to be delivered within 2-3 weeks. Every Monteagle mahjong player will most certainly want a set of these!

- **Mahjong Monday:** July 3, 2:30-4:30 pm. All levels are welcome! There are tables reserved for beginners so come join the fun! Bring your own 2023 card if you have one.
- **Adult card party:** Wednesday, July 5, 2:30-4:00 pm.
- **Book Club:** Wednesday, July 5, 4:00 pm. We will be discussing the bestseller *Lessons In Chemistry* by Bonnie Garmus.

For those of you who reserved chairs for the picnic on July 4th, please come and pick up your chairs between 4:30-5:30 pm on Monday, July 3. Cash or check will be accepted for payment.

Wishing you all a wonderful July 4th, and we hope to see you on the porch!

— Ruth Patterson, Woman's Association President

GET TO KNOW OUR SPEAKERS!

David Hudgins and his family are no strangers to the Assembly. David's got a number of notable achievements on his resume and in his bio... but as we were preparing this week's newsletter, there was only one question we wanted more details on, and it has to do with one of the family pets. Which one? See if you can figure it out on p. 89. And if you find out the backstory, let us know, will you?

MSSA COMMUNITY OUTREACH PROJECT

On Friday, July 7, at 2:30 pm, the Outreach Committee will host a bed-building project with Sleep in Heavenly Peace at the VFW Building. Please come participate in building beds for children in the area that do not have a bed to sleep on. Bring your grandparents and your children, as there will be jobs for all!

In a world filled with challenges, few things are as fundamental and universally essential as a good night's sleep. Unfortunately, not everyone has access to a comfortable bed to rest their weary bodies. Recognizing this need, the Monteagle Sunday School Assembly is partnering with Sleep in Heavenly Peace, a non-profit organization dedicated to ensuring that no child sleeps on the floor, to embark on a remarkable service project.

Sleep is not just a luxury; it is a crucial element for human well-being. Quality sleep contributes to physical health, cognitive function, emotional well-being, and overall productivity. However, many families struggle to provide a comfortable sleeping environment for their children due to financial hardships or unfortunate circumstances. Recognizing this gap, Sleep in Heavenly Peace has made it their mission to build and deliver beds to children who would otherwise sleep on the floor.

The collaboration between the Monteagle Sunday School Assembly and Sleep in Heavenly Peace exemplifies the power of collective action and the impact that can be achieved when a community comes together for a common cause. Volunteers from the Assembly, as well as community members in Monteagle and Sewanee have united their efforts to build beds from scratch.

This service project goes beyond constructing physical beds. It serves as a catalyst for positive change and strengthens the bond within the Assembly community, as well as the Assembly's relationship with members of the wider Monteagle community. Through this project, individuals of all ages and backgrounds will have a common purpose; working side by side to make a tangible difference in the lives of children. The act of building beds has become a powerful symbol of care, compassion, and hope for a brighter future.

Sleep in Heavenly Peace and the Monteagle Sunday School Assembly are committed to making a lasting impact on the lives of families in need. The beds constructed through this partnership are not just pieces of furniture; they represent a safe and comfortable space where children can dream, grow, and thrive. The project aims to provide children with a sense of dignity, stability, and security—essential elements for a healthy childhood.

THIS WEEK IN PHOTOS

Thanks to our generous community for providing *Mountain Voices* with a rich assortment of photos to use in this issue. Keep 'em coming! Send photos to platform@mssa1882.org. It's helpful if you include your name (the photographer) and the names of those included, if possible. Photos below were sent by Jamie Green and Rick Boeth.



HOUSING QUESTIONS? ASK RHONDA!

Should you have concerns that your cottage has not rented to your satisfaction during the season or off-season, contact the housing office to discuss your options. If you are willing to consider offering your cottage for 3-day rentals, negotiate or prorate rentals, or if you have questions about your rentals, call Rhonda.

The housing office can also help if you want to rent a golf cart during the season!

The housing number is (931) 924-9000.

LEASEHOLD AVAILABLE

#23 Edgeworth Inn \$1,675,000

FROM THE ARCHIVES

Archives Open House on Sunday, July 9th, 2:00-4:00 pm. Please come by and explore our history!

—Morgan Merrill, Archives Committee Chair



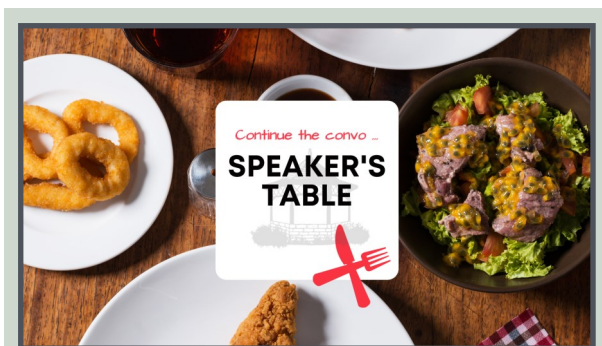
SAFETY FIRST

The MSSA security team is at your service. If you have any emergency--medical or otherwise--call 911, but our seasoned team is here to help for non-emergency situations. If you have a safety issue or see suspicious activity anywhere on the grounds or at the Point, don't hesitate to call (931) 607-8615 after 5 pm or call the office during business hours. There are no silly concerns—it's better to call and quell your fears than to let something go because you are afraid of a false alarm.

Consider putting the security number by your home phone and/or plugging it into your cell phones.

Kids got cell phones? Plug the security number in those too.

Together we'll keep MSSA the safe haven it is!



CONTINUE THE CONVO

We're setting aside a table in Harton Hall for our morning speakers—and we need your help! Look for the sign inviting you to “continue the convo,” and provide that uniquely Monteagle hospitality by having lunch with our guests.

Anne Williams created this masterful painting of her dog, Monty—who, you have to admit, is charmingly photogenic—at the first Arty Party of the season. She wanted to make sure we thanked the “best art teachers ever!”

The Mountain Voices staff would like to borrow Monty for a day, please.



HARTON HALL: SUNDAY BUFFET

Cost is \$27 (adults) or \$13 (children 5-12 years). Kids 4 and under eat free. Prices include tax only. Please remember to tip your servers.

Salad bar: Garden-fresh baby salad greens with condiments; assortment of homemade salad; montage of fresh seasonal fruits.

Carvery: Roasted top round of beef with au jus & fresh horseradish.

Harton's hot bar: Grilled Atlantic salmon fillet with lemon caper beurre blanc; southern-style chicken & dumplings; fried green tomatoes; broccoli amandine; wine-braised kale with bacon & onions; buttered sweet corn kernel; scalloped potatoes.

Sweet bar: blackberry cobbler & ice creams.

Beverages: Fresh-brewed iced tea & lemonade.

Note: Grill closed on Sundays.

ADDITIONAL MENU ITEMS FOR JULY 4TH

Barbeque Baby Back Ribs

Full rack: \$26; half rack: \$13

Steamed & buttered corn on the cob \$1 each

ALL JULY 4th Box Lunches can be picked up between 10:00-10:30 am at Harton Hall. Payments will be collected at time of pick up.

BEWARE OF THE WILDLIFE

Be aware of the wildlife living with us on the Assembly grounds. Skunks normally do not spray unless threatened. If you see one, slowly back away. Snakes are found around the creek and in rocky areas. Do not antagonize them. Coyotes have been spotted in the Assembly previously; increased activity may cause them to leave the campus, but we must all be mindful of letting small pets roam at night. Raccoons are everywhere. To avoid unwelcomed surprises, secure your garbage cans to prevent raccoons from rummaging through your trash.

HOOK INTO THE ONLINE PLATFORM CALENDAR

Get the latest Platform events on the MSSA web site at www.mssa1882.org. Hover your mouse over "Program/Events" and click on "Calendar." You can also subscribe to our calendar using your own Google Calendar by following the directions at the bottom of the page. NOTE: If the MSSA events do not show up, check your Google calendar settings to ensure MSSA is set to "sync on all devices."

The Information Center on the Mall has all the latest schedule details, including any changes to the program schedule, movie selections, Sunday School details, and more! If you have items to post, please email platform@mssa1882.org for assistance.



The Montegale Sunday School Assembly was organized by Charter issued by the State of Tennessee on October 4, 1882 for the purpose of: "... the advancement of science, literary attainment, Sunday School interests, and the promotion of the broadest popular culture in the interest of Christianity without regard to sect or denomination."



The Mission of the Montegale Sunday School Assembly is to be a welcoming community of Christian faith where people gather to engage in spiritual growth and renewal, lifelong inquiry and learning, recreational and cultural enrichment, while being good stewards of our natural resources and our Assembly heritage.

WEEK 4 CALENDAR • JULY 2-8, 2023

Guest Minister: Rev. Jodi McCullah

Sunday, July 2

Sunday School (adults/youth)

10-10:45 am • See page 9 for details

Worship Service

11:00 am • Warren Chapel

Movie: *The Sandlot* (1993, PG)

7:45 pm • Auditorium

Monday-Thursday

Twilight Prayers

7:00 pm • Warren Chapel

Monday, July 3

15th Annual Off-Road Classic

8:00 am • Meet at North Gate

Yoga Flow with Annelie

8:00 am • Gymnasium

Shakerag Classic: Men's MSSA vs. Sewanee challenge golf tournament

10:00 am • The Course at Sewanee

Movie: *Miracle* (2004, PG)

7:45 pm • Auditorium

Tuesday, July 4

44th Annual Monteagle-Sewanee Run/Walk

8:00 am • Meet at Front Gate

Fourth of July Parade

10:00 am • Town of Monteagle

Annual Fourth of July Picnic, with music by Tracy Acoustic Band

12:00 pm • The Mall

Ultimate Frisbee Reunion!

2:30 pm • North Gate Field

All-Generation Softball Game

4:00 pm • North Gate Field

Patriotic Brass Prelude, with music by the Sewanee Summer Music Festival, followed by the annual Candlelight Service

7:10 pm • Mall Bandstand

Fireworks!

8:45 pm • North Gate Field

Wednesday, July 5

Yoga Flow with Annelie

8:00 am • Gymnasium

Plateau Talk: Breslin Clock Tower, with Keith Henley
10:45 am • Warren Chapel

Plateau Tour: Excursion to Breslin Clock Tower

1:00 pm • Meet at Auditorium

Early Bird Movie: *Toy Story* (1995, G)

6:00 pm • Auditorium

Taizé Twilight Prayers

7:00 pm • Warren Chapel

Film Screening: *Gigi & Nate* (2022, PG-13)

7:45 pm • Auditorium

Thursday, July 6

Produce Market

7-10:00 am • On the Mall

Zumba with Sara

8:00 am • Gymnasium

Aqua Yoga with Megan

8:30-9:15 am • Pool

Lecture: "Great Gardens of the World," with Troy Marden

10:45 am • Warren Chapel

Readings from the Writers' Grove, with Andrew Siegrist

reading from *We Imagined It Was Rain*

2:30 pm • Writers' Grove (Warren Chapel if rain)

Lecture: From Script to Screen: Q&A with Screenwriter David Hudgins (about *Gigi & Nate*, screening on Wednesday)

7:45 pm • Auditorium

Friday, July 7

Pilates with Bruce

8:00 am • Gymnasium

MSSA Outreach Ministries Fair (see p. 2)

10:45 am • Auditorium

All-Assembly Outreach Project: Build a bed with Sleep in Heavenly Peace (see p. 8)

2:30 pm • VFW Building

Movie: *Holes* (2003, PG)

7:45 pm • Auditorium

Saturday, July 8

All-Assembly Dance with Cruel Shoes

7:45 pm • Gymnasium